

What's New about CM/ECF version 2.4 (April 17, 2005)

We have two new features in CM/ECF 2.4.

1) WRITTEN OPINIONS

This new report is available in CM/ECF under Reports, Civil Reports. There is NO fee to run the report nor is there a fee to view any document listed in the report results. Additionally, if a user runs a docket sheet report (which you are charged for) and then views a filing that has been designated as a decision to be made public, they will not be charged for viewing the PDF.

Whenever an ECF order is filed in CM/ECF that is specifically flagged as a written decision pursuant to the E-Government Act, it will immediately appear in the new Written Opinions Report - available to the public for free. This report only applies to ECF cases. To view a complete list of all written opinions made public by the court (including both ECF and paper cases), users must go the public website (www.uscf.uscourts.gov) and use the Published Decisions and Unpublished Decisions menus.

2) CASE INFORMATION HEADERS on PDFs

To help keep track of printed paper copies of PDF documents, CM/ECF will now add a case information header to each page of any PDF document you view through CM/ECF. The header will appear in blue text containing a) the full case number, b) the document number, c) the document filing date and d) the page number.

Users with CM/ECF accounts may turn off the headers, if desired, by going to Utilities, Maintain Your Account and unchecking "Add Headers to PDF Documents". Then remember to Submit your changes (twice). PACER accounts cannot remove the headers.